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## **Public** notice

BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH

NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE NO. M/037/084

IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE DECISION
TO APPROVE THE MINING AND
RECLAMATION PLAN COTTER CORPORATION'S PAPOOSE MINE, SAN JUAN
COUNTY, UTAH

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 29 1/2 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, SLBM, SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining of its tentative decision to approve Cotter Corporation's Mining and Reclamation Plan for the Papoose Mine. Limestone mining activities will effect the following area: 20 acres located in NE/4 NW/4; NW/NW/4 NW/4; SE/4 NW/4; SW/4 NW/4 and NE/4 SW/4 Section 36, Township 29 1/2 South, range 24 East, SLBM, San Juan County, Utah.

Cotter Corporation has submitted a permit application to expand their existing small mining operation to include the following changes:

The shallow open pit will increase in length to the southeast. The pit and associated mining disturbance will encompass approximately 20 acres over a ten year period. Mining methods will remain the same as for the current small mining operation.

The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 20 acres of State School Trust land.

## **During Operations**

Trees and bushes will be stripped, windrowed, or piled using a bulldozer. Salvagable soil will be stripped and stockpiled. The limestone deposit will be drilled and blasted approximately once a month. All access ways to the site will be closed by barricades and/or guarded during blasting. Maximum vertical highwall height will be approximately 20 feet. Run of mine rock will be mucked and trammed by loader to a portable jaw crusher. The limestone will be crushed and screened to a minus 10 inch to plus 1/2 inch size, then stockpiled prior to truck shipment. Water sprays will be used as necessary to minimize dust emissions from the crusher. Berms have been constructed around the stockpile area to control erosion. The crushing and stockpile areas will periodically be moved to the southeast as the pit advances in that direction. Concurrent reclamation will be performed as mine development progresses to the point where it is practical.

## **Following Operations**

Prior to pit abandonment, the highwall will be cut or backfilled with coarse reject material to a slope of less than 45°. Stockpiled topsoil will be spread to a 12 inch depth forming small islands which will then be scarified using

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published at Monticello, Utah every Wednesday; that notice of the decision to
approve the application of Cotter Corporation for mining and reclamation,
a copy of which is hereunto attached, was published in the regular and entire is-
sue of each number of said newspaper for a period of <u>one</u> issue,
the first publication having been made on September 13, 1995.
T 1 3 1995  Bill Boyle, Publisher
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of September
A.D. 1995  Notary Public  PATRICIA A. RICHARDSON 937 East Highway 666  Monticello, Utah 84535  My Commission Expires December 21, 1993  Notary Public residing at Monticello, Utah My commission expires December 21, 1998

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